Southwest Iowa Amateur Radio Association

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The Southwest Iowa Amateur Radio Association would like to comment as a group on what we think should be considered when changing the license requirements for an Amateur Radio License.

We strongly encourage the continued support of the amateur radio to maintain the strong emergency capabilities that the amateur radio has provided this nation in the past.

Please consider:

1. Eliminate the Novice License. The codeless Technician or Technician-Plus should become the primary entry level.
2. Keep the five (5) words per minute requirement for the Tech-Plus License.
3. Lower the code requirements for the General License to ten (10) words per minute.
4. Keep the Advanced and Extra Licenses as they are presently.
5. Re-allocate the frequencies presently dedicated to Novice, to the Technician-Plus licensees.
6. Encourage CW among amateur radio operators.

Our membership feels that the simpler changes are better. CW is one of the modes that this club continues to practice and enjoy.

Your consideration is respectfully requested.

Kindest regards,

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